

Application Serial No. 10/060,561
Attorney Docket No. VI/99-020

REMARKS

This is in response to the Advisory Action mailed on January 18, 2006.

Claim Amendments

Claim 23 has been amended to correct a typographical error therein and Claim 31 has been cancelled because the limitations thereof are substantially included in independent Claim 23.

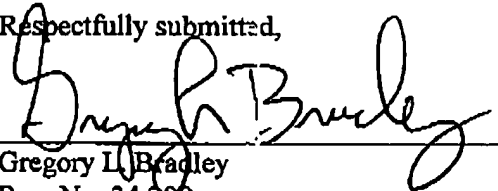
Interview Summary

The under-signed and Examiner Smith had a brief telephone interview on January 19, 2006. Examiner Smith pointed out the error in Claim 23 and the apparent redundancy of Claim 31. The under-signed agreed to submit this Amendment to amend Claim 23 and to cancel Claim 31.

Examiner Smith also informed the under-signed that there was no record in the file wrapper of the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) that Applicants filed on January 6, 2004, and requested that a copy of the IDS and post-card receipt be submitted with this Amendment. In order for Examiner Smith to consider the information and references cited in the IDS, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the IDS and the post-card receipt dated January 8, 2004.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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